

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please insert the following text in the specification on page 3 after the third full paragraph:

FIG. 1 is an illustrative cross-sectional side view of a non-limiting turbocharger comprising a wheel retained on a turbocharger shaft by a nut; and

FIG. 2 is a plan view of a nut with one form of surface treatment to increase the coefficient of friction of the nut face.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at the bottom of page 3 and continuing to the top of page 4 with the following paragraph:

Referring in more detail to the compressor wheel assembly, the compressor wheel comprises a plurality of blades 15 extending from a central hub 16 which is provided with a through bore to receive on end of the shaft 8. The shaft 8 extends slightly from the nose of the compressor wheel 7 and is threaded to receive a nut 17 which bears against the compressor wheel nose to clamp the compressor wheel 7 against a thrust bearing and oil seal assembly 18. Details of the thrust bearing/oil seal assembly may vary and are not important to understanding of the compressor wheel mounting arrangement. Essentially, the

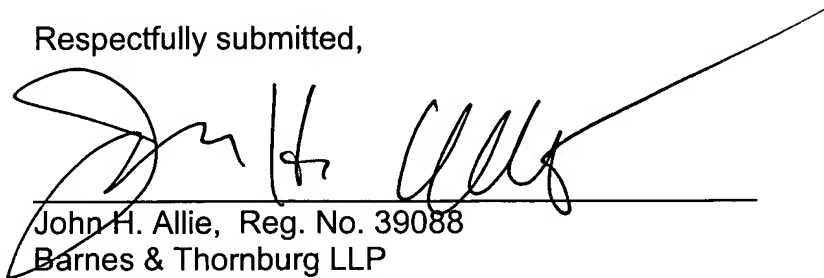
compressor wheel 7 is prevented from slipping on shaft 8 by the clamping force applied by the nut ~~46~~ 17.

Please replace the fourth full paragraph on page 4 with the following:

The contact surface of the nut 17 may similarly be treated, in addition to or instead of, the treatment of the compressor wheel surface, again to increase the coefficient of friction between the contacting surfaces. As seen in Fig. 2, the nut 17 has a treated surface 19 which results in an increased coefficient of friction between the treated surface 19 and the nose of the compressor wheel. While Fig. 2 shows the treated surface 19 on the face of the nut 17, it should be understood that a similar treatment may be applied to the nose portion of the compressor wheel, and/or a washer intermediate the nut 17 and the nose of the compressor wheel.

In response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment dated March 18, 2005,
Please find Fig. 1 labeled as Replacement Sheet and the revised Amendments to
Specification to reflect that the new paragraph is not underlined. Withdrawal of the
Notice of Non-compliant Amendment is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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